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SUBJECT: SIKKIM -- STATE DEPARTMENT PRESS BRIEFING

1. THE JOINT SECRETARY FOR EAST ASIA AND THE NORTHERN DIVISION IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY, N.B. MENON, CALLED THE POLITICAL COUNSELOR OVER SEPTEMBER 11 TO REPORT THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY HAD NOTED THE CARE WITH WHICH THE STATE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN RESPONDED TO QUESTIONS ABOUT SIKKIM SEPTEMBER 9. THE MINISTRY WISHED TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION OR THE SENSITIVITY OF THE USG TO GOI CONCERNS ON THIS ISSUE.

2. MENON ALSO RAISED IN LOW-KEY MANNER UPI CORRESPONDENT SYLVANA FOA, WHO RECENTLY RETURNED FROM ABOUT 10 DAYS IN SIKKIM, WHERE SHE STAYED AT THE PALACE. MENON SAID THAT THE GOI HAD REASON TO BELIEVE THAT SHE WAS BECOMING OVER INVOLVED EMOTIONALLY ON THE SIKKIM ISSUE AND MAY HAVE GIVEN SOME INDISCREET ADVICE TO THE CHOGYAL ABOUT RELATIONS WITH CHINA.
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